

*May 23, Thursday.* Reveille 6 a. m. Drill 7:30 a. m. Received orders to move. To sail from Montreal, Canada. Wired Colonel Ferguson to return tonight (cipher). Spent day in preparation for departure and distribution of supplies. At night went over to the Garden City Hotel for hot water bath. Had room with private bath. Used room one hour. Hotel made no charge.

*May 24, Friday.* Colonel Ferguson returned this morning. Went to New York with Colonel at 11:45 a. m. Just missed train at Garden City. Waited one hour. Had dinner at Garden City Hotel. Change from mess kit to china very pleasing. Returned to camp at 5:30. Found orders had been received to leave camp 6:15 tomorrow. Bedding roll and trunk had to be loaded at once. Officers were left without blankets. Could just as well have been loaded Saturday morning.

*May 25, Saturday, En Route to Montreal.* Reveille 5 a. m. Breakfast, 5:30 a. m. Companies A, B and C ready to leave camp at 6:15 a. m. Marched to railroad where we waited one hour before our train was made up. Captain Myers is train commander. No A. W. O. L.'s. Crossed new bridge across Hell Gate. Splendid construction. Train stopped at New Haven half an hour where men were served coffee and rolls by Red Cross (12:30 p.m.). Railroad station burned two weeks ago. Enthusiastic crowds at all stations. No porter on Pullman. Officers made up their own berths. Went through Hartford and within a mile and a half of father and mother.

*May 26, Sunday.* Will not reach Montreal before 10 a. m., (due at 8 a.m.). Morning is cold. No breakfast. Reached Canadian Pacific Pier 10.10 a.m. Detrained at once and troops boarded steamer *Talhybius*, British line.\* Received papers and instructions. Only our own troops are on board. This is a large freight boat converted into a transport. We have 1,289 soldiers on board. We are coöperating with ship's master in mess, guard, lookouts, policing, etc. Myself and staff have splendid accommodations, but the other officers are crowded. We have no lounging rooms, or any meeting rooms. Men are also very much crowded and all but about 125 have to sleep in hammocks. Ship has just been reconverted and we are the first to be transported. 10,250 ton vessel draws 31 feet of water, carries 14,000 tons freight, length 527, width 85. I hope it

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